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lysoplasmenyl choline, and/or the reaction products thereof selected from the group comprising 1-O-alk-1'-enyl-2 substituted glycerol and 1-O-alk-1'-enyl-2 substituted glycerol phosphate.

(Amended) The in vitro method as claimed in [any one of the preceding claims] <u>claim 1</u>, characterized by determining choline, choline and/or trimethyl ammonium derivatives selected from the group comprising phosphoryl choline, plasmalogens, and lysoplasmenyl choline, and/or the reaction products thereof selected from the group comprising 1-O-alk-1'-enyl-2 substituted glycerol and 1-O-alk-1'-enyl-2 substituted glycerol phosphate in a body fluid selected from a group comprising serum, plasma, whole blood, prepared blood samples, and urine.

REMARKS

No claims have been canceled or added in this paper. Claims 6 and 8 have been amended in this paper. Therefore, claims 1-11 are under active consideration.

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